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Serial No.: 10/776,001 )

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Assembly of Inflatable Articles )

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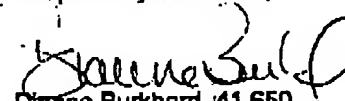
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We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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